

REGION 6 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TOPIC: San Antonio Water System (SAWS), Texas

DATE: April 11, 2013

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PURPOSE/ACTION NEEDED: Information for RA Travel

DEADLINE DATE: For RA travel in April/May 2013

BACKGROUND:

Region 6 has awarded State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) funding to the SAWS in the amount of \$1,253,600 for the construction of new drinking water lines on the former Brooks Air Force Base (now referred to as the Brooks City Base). The Base is now within the corporate limits of San Antonio. The SAWS is continuing to develop the Base for economic, business, and housing purposes.

CURRENT STATUS:

The project is currently still in the design and planning stage. Actual construction activities have not yet been initiated.

ENVIRONMENTAL/PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS:

Region 6 conducted an Environmental Assessment of the environmental and public health impacts associated with construction activities, and issued a Finding of No Significant Impact on September 18, 2012, which has allowed the project to continue without further environmental review.

TECHNICAL CONCERNS:

Region 6 is not aware of any technical issues or concerns associated with the progress of the project.

REGULATORY/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

All construction activities must be conducted in accordance with local, state, tribal and federal laws and resource protection guidelines. No issues or concerns are anticipated.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

There are no EJ issues connected with the project since all populations will be served equally by the drinking water improvements. Continued monitoring for compliance with public participation requirements will be ongoing.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Continued engineering monitoring by the Assistance Programs Branch (6WQ-A), and environmental monitoring by the Office of Planning and Coordination (6EN-XP) will be ongoing.